Amendment to the Specification

Please insert the following paragraph before the first paragraph on page 1:

Related Applications

This application is related by subject matter to the following patent applications: U.S. patent application 09/388891 entitled, "Authoring Tool For Bayesian-Network Troubleshooters" having inventor Claus Skaaning, and a filing date of September 2, 1999; U.S. patent application 09/866411 entitled, "Model Selection For Decision Support System" having inventors Claus Skaaning and James O. Schreckengast, and a filing date of May 26, 2001; U.S. patent application 09/919153 entitled, "Proprietary Information Utility" having inventors James O. Schreckengast and Anton I. Engberg and a filing date of July 31, 2001; and U.S. patent application 09/644117 entitled, "Validation Of Probabilistic Troubleshooters And Diagnostic Systems," having inventors Claus Skaaning et al. and a filing date of August 22, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,820,072.